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MBFR NEGOTIATIONS

FROM US REP MBFR

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PARM, NATO

SUBJECT: MBFR NEGOTIATIONS

1. FOLLOWING PLENARY SESSION MARCH 21, SOVIET
REP ASKED US REP TO MAKE REPLY, WHICH LASTED
LESS THAN ONE MINUTE, TO QUESTION OF SOVIET
TELEVISION CORRESPONDENT BEFORE CAMERA IN THE
CONFERENCE ROOM. FOLLOWING IS WORDING OF QUESTION AND
OF REPLY BY US REP.

2. QUESTION QUOTE MR. AMBASSADOR, HOW ARE THE
NEGOTIATIONS PROCEEDING, IN YOUR OPINION? UNQUOTE.

3. REPLY QUOTE: I THINK WE HAVE MADE A GOOD
START. BOTH SIDES HAVE MADE SPECIFIC PROPOSALS
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BOTH SIDES HAVE EXPLAINED THEIR PROPOSALS IN DETAIL.

WE HAVE BEEN WORKING IN A GOOD ATMOSPHERE. IT HAS
BEEN SERIOUS AND BUSINESSLIKE. AS FOR THE PROSPECTS --
IT IS TOO EARLY TO MAKE A MEANINGFUL FORECAST OF THE
OUTCOME, BUT I AM OPTIMISTIC. THE SUBJECT IS VERY
COMPLEX BUT I THINK WE CAN MAKE SOME MOVEMENT TOWARD
THE AGREED OBJECTIVE, WHICH IS GREATER STABILITY
IN CENTRAL EUROPE. UNQUOTE.TRINKA

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